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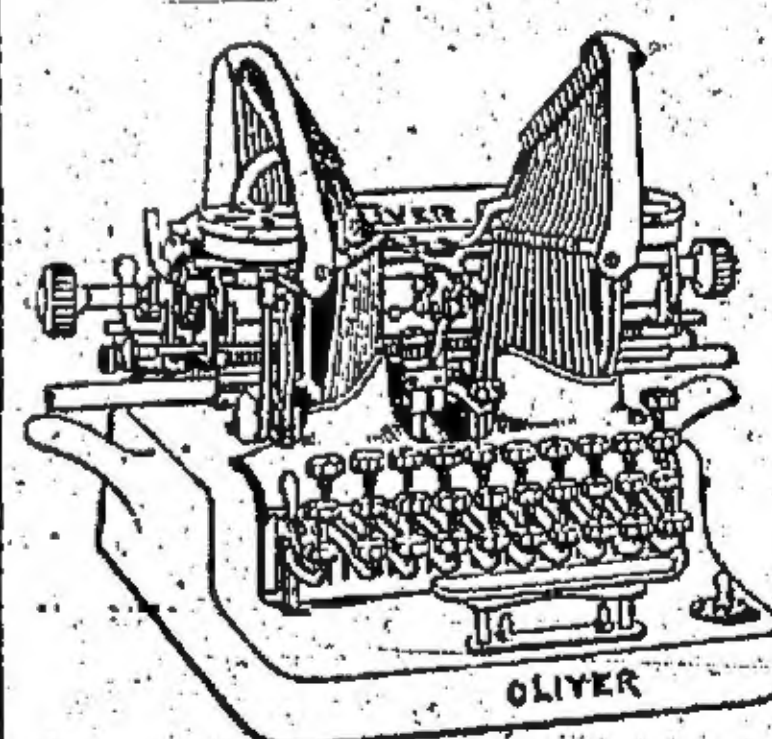
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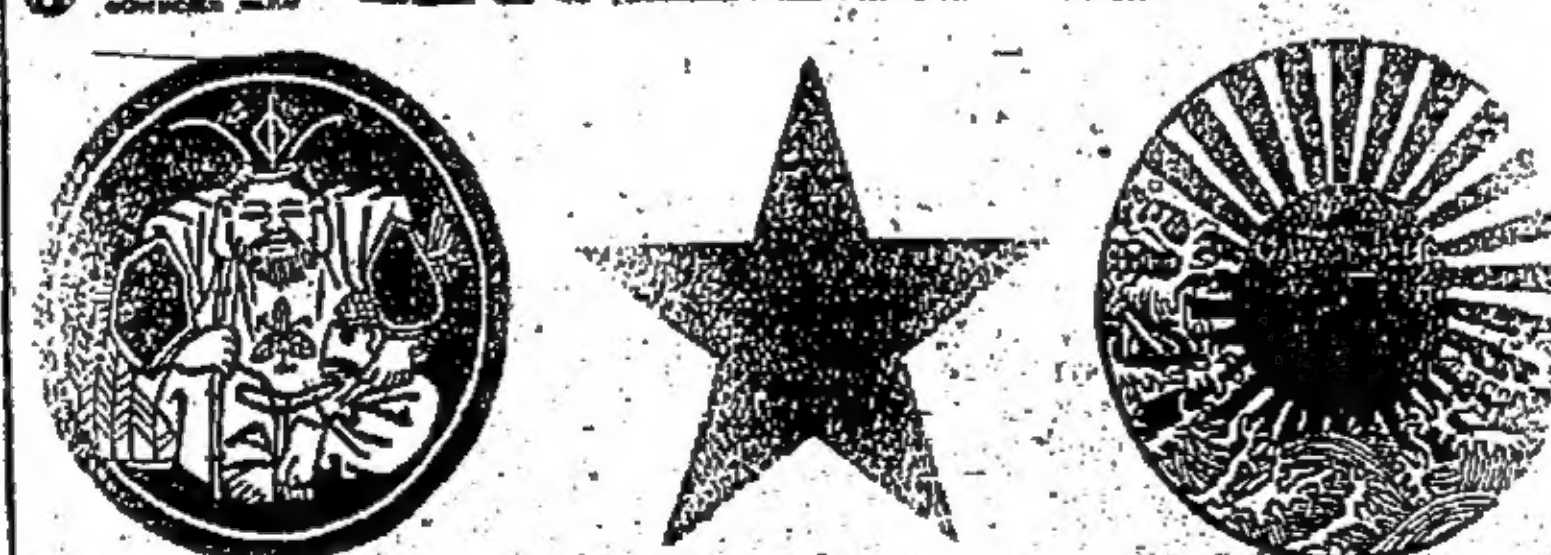
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The China Mail

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1907.

THE WEST RIVER.

A calmer and more judicial mood is coming over some of the Chinese who deem it to be their duty to discuss in public the difficulties that have arisen in connection with the West River and the piracies that have taken place thereon. But whilst this is so, two established facts seem to stand out with great distinctness, and are emphasized with considerable definiteness. The first is the existence of contempt for the Chinese Government. This was the most conspicuous feature of the recent revolt and it is even more clearly seen in the later discussions, where there is less shouting and more reasoning. The writers sneer at the action of their Government in allowing the policing of the rivers to fall into the hands of foreigners. They say: the Customs department is ours and we control it. Of course as a fact it is managed by foreigners. But this matter, after all, is passed over without much feeling. The cause of the contempt is this: When native craft are pirated and appeals are made to the Government for redress and assistance, there is no reply, or if there be, the reply is given: we cannot attend to these matters. So things are allowed to take their course. But when foreigners get into trouble there is at once a great fuss and the officials do all in their power in order to meet the demands of the foreigner. Every one sees this difference of attitude and as the newspapers show it up the Government suffers in reputation. Another point is brought out with great clearness. Native craft are treated as if they were of no importance. When they are dealt with by the Customs they are delayed and harassed, and no attention is paid to any appeals that are made to relieve them of these harassments. On the other hand when boats which fly the foreign flag pass the inland Customs, even though there be no foreigners on board, they are dealt with in the most expeditious way. So the native launches hoist the British flag in sheer self-preservation. The native press, from which this information is gained, lays stress on the patriotism of foreigners who honour their respective flags almost more than everything or anything else. They would give their lives for the flag and will not allow it to be insulted. But nothing of this is, the papers declare, discovered among the Chinese, and especially among the officials. In fact the Government of China is "weak, and yielding, and deaf, and blind." In a word, the disaffected urge that the present crisis is due to the fact that the officials pay no attention to appeals when there are piracies on the native launches, and, further, that they harass the launches which fly the Dragon flag at the Customs. But it is partly the fault of the people, they say, for allowing things to drift into this state. Along these lines then the soberer section of the press is beginning to turn, and it must be admitted that they have some reason for their grievances, and that they should feel aggrieved is but natural. What then is the remedy for this? Is there any definite remedy to hope for? There is a course suggested, but it is one that the officials will not willingly adopt. The first suggestion is that there be powerful combinations of shippers formed which shall demand

power to manage their own affairs; and which shall be powerful enough to bring pressure to bear upon the local Government to remove grievances and redress wrongs. The combinations, it is thought, would be strong enough to compel this because of the numbers and the influence of those who thus combined. It is said that the amalgamation of business people for self-protection is a matter that concerns themselves only, and the officials have no right to interfere. There must be an attempt at self-government in such matters; the demand must be made and clung to in spite of all opposition. Then, secondly, when there is this combination of shippers, native craft should come back to their own flag. The owners do not fly the flag because they love the foreigner, but simply for self-protection, and the hour when they can be protected by their own people they will lower the flag of the foreigner and hoist their own. Then, there being no British flags in the waters, there will be no excuse for the British or any other nationality to interfere. The trouble will cease of its own account. This is the remedy proposed. It will be seen from this that the more sober writers have a fairly clear idea what is wrong, how things have gone wrong, and how to right them. The question now remains will they be able to follow the course here outlined? Their inability in railway combination seems to show that there is every probability of failure. It will be found, however, if there be powerful combinations of native traders who clamour for local power over local affairs, that they will have the Government to reckon with. The Government is certain to oppose any such movement to the utmost. The result will be there will be engendered in the minds of the people not only contempt for the Chinese Government but also bitter antagonism. It would seem from this that fear of anything serious arising as a result of the presence of the British flag in Chinese waters are quite unjustified. This view is supported by intelligent observers at Canton, who simply ridicule the idea that there is any danger to be apprehended from the agitation. The agitation is not directed at the foreigner but at the Government.

Some of our American cousins are nothing if not modest. The "Exporters and Importers Journal" recently to hand exhibits the weakness in a marked degree. Under the heading of "An Object Lesson to the World," it publishes an article which in view of the San Francisco Mayoral happenings, the big Trust exposures, and the frenzied financial operations in connection with other concerns, the tyranny of Tammany Hall, and the general shakiness of things' political, is worth reproduction. The paper says:—"The United States of America has become an object lesson for the world, not only in governmental principles, but in industrial and manufacturing life. In age she is less than a century and a third old, but she has absorbed the energy and genius of the entire globe and directed them to the solution of economic problems with such success that the nations of the world are obliged to come to her for instruction and guidance in the development of their own policies. The native American has become so welded to foreign nationalities in the progress of little more than a century that he combines within himself all that is worth knowing in art, science and industry and the result is that foreign nations are obliged to appeal to him when problems arise which it is beyond their power to solve."

A Chinese paper says: In compliance with the request of the guild of the steamship merchants, Viceroy Chang Jen-shun, Canton, has allowed to remove all treatment at the Customs, from which the steamers with the dragon flag hitherto suffered.

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CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

Post Office Arrangements.

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THE VOLUNTEER TROOP.

The Christmas Camp.

At 6.45 this morning the members of the Volunteer Troop to the number of sixteen paraded preparatory to setting out for the Christmas Camp, which is being held in the neighbourhood of Failing, mid-way between Tai-po and San-chum. The country round about this locality is ideal for a camp of mounted men, though the tracks are not particularly good. The Sheung-shui Valley is of wide expanse and it is in this Valley that the members of the troop will make their headquarters.

Camp will be broken up on December 26 and the men will be back in Hongkong on the following day.

THE TYPHOON.

The U.S. Consulate has received the following from the Manila Observatory: "December 20, 1907, at 5 p.m. Typhoon seems to have been filling up since yesterday."

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

December 25 and 26, and January 1 and 2 have been declared public holidays.

We are informed that there is a movement on foot to extend the law vacation.

The German Mail of the 21st November was delivered in London on the 20th inst.

Field firing was commenced to-day by the military from Kaulung Tsi in a North-North-Westerly direction against the slopes of Beacon Hill.

The Chinese Government is considering the sale of honorary titles, and it is suggested that the title of Marquis might be sold for a million taels. Anyone want to be a Marquis?

From the Royal Exchange Assurance Company we have received a listing book and handy calendar, and the London and Lancashire Fire Insurance Company we received calendars.

Viceroy Tuan Fang has reported to the Chinese Government that the indemnity demanded by converts who sustained loss in the missionary trouble at Kiangsi amounts to over 200,000 taels.

Messrs Lane, Crawford and Co. inform us that their staff will remain open until 6 o'clock on Monday and Tuesday evenings next to enable customers to complete their Christmas shopping.

The N.Y.K. line has issued an exceedingly attractive calendar for 1908. It is splendidly designed and produced, and at once exhibits the art of Japan, and advises the way to get to the country.

The "Tagblatt" states that news has arrived at Peking of a tremendous snowstorm in the Gobi Desert, which, it is feared, has enveloped and destroyed several camel caravans which were en route between Kashgar, Khateln and Kalgan.

The Chinese and Engineering and Mining, Limited, announces that the total output of the Company's three mines for the week ending 30th Nov., 1907, amounted to 20,338.96 tons and the sales during the period to 18,269.13 tons.

Some Tokyo papers allege that Yokohama foreigners, suffering from the 150 per cent. tax on tobacco, are boldly landing a great quantity of tobacco from steamers or small sailing vessels via the bluff or the neighbourhood of the Grand Hotel, whenever steamers arrive from abroad. This seems a curiously vague charge, says a Yokohama contemporary.

The London correspondent of the "Birmingham Post" says: "A correspondent who has been resident many years in the remote districts of West China informs me that there is just now an extraordinary desire for Western learning among the younger generation of students, who will be in the near future the virtual rulers of China. Expression is given to this tendency in various ways, and very recently the suggestion of establishing a museum in a city with a population of half a million, situated 1,600 miles from the sea, with no railways or steamers or other means of communication, has been warmly taken up by the student and official classes, who hitherto have been extremely hostile to the foreigner. My informant believes that at least there is a good chance for such institutions as museums and libraries of revolutionizing the attitude of the Chinese towards the foreigner and the Christian mission, and perhaps bringing about many much needed reforms."

THE PROPOSED CHINESE CONSULATE.

Canton Viceroy Against It.

Wu Ting Fang and Lord Li having suggested that a Chinese Consulate be established in Hongkong the question was referred to the Canton Viceroy by the Peking Government. The Viceroy has replied expressing the opinion that owing to the close proximity of Canton to Hongkong any question relating to China can easily be dealt with. He also points out that if a Consulate is established any question that might crop up would have to be cabled Home to London, as the Minister there must receive all communications of the kind from any British Colony, and he refers the matter to Peking.

CANTON-MACAO RAILWAY.

A Chinese paper says: The Waiwupu has presented a memorial regarding the cancellation of the agreement between China and Portugal of the Canton-Macao Railway.

MANCHURIAN RAILWAY TRAFFIC.

Tokyo, December 15.
The stream of coolie labour returning from Manchuria to Shanghai for the winter has hitherto largely depended upon the extramural railway line. The Japanese railway in South Manchuria is now intending to attract the coolies by reducing its fares.

CHINA'S NATIONAL CURRENCY.

On the 13th December the Emperor received the President and Vice-Presidents of the Board of Finance and enquired of them as to the measures for having a monetary standard and they maintained seven since two candidates as the standard. Chang Chih-tung and Yuan Shih-kai maintained one tael and both argued their points and it was decided to place the matter before the Government Council on the 18th. It is reported that Yuan Shih-kai intends to remove all the high officials of the Board of Finance if they resist his views.

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MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL'S TOUR.

A Reuter telegram from Nairobi, dated Nov. 4, says:—Mr. Churchill arrived here to-day and was received at the station by the officials and leading residents. He thanked those present for their reception of him, and expressed his admiration for East African scenery. He considered that the Uganda Railway was a unique asset of the empire. He then proceeded to Government House, escorted by the local Volunteers and Legion of Frontiersmen. Mr. Churchill made a speech at Nairobi on Nov. 6 in which he stated that the chief object of his visit was to acquire a personal interest in the country. The protectorate would have the advantage of a friend at the Colonial Office. A new country's difficulties ought not to be insuperable. Its statesmen were not hampered by past history, as was the case at home.

THE MAURETANIA'S TRIAL.

31½ Miles an Hour.

The Cunard liner Mauretania, said the "Standard" of Nov. 6, is now running her trials prior to her first voyage for New York, leaving Liverpool on the 16th inst. She has already run a distance of 300 miles at an average speed of 27.36 knots, equal to 31½ miles an hour. This would indicate that the Mauretania will be the fastest ocean-going steamer afloat.

The average speeds of the Transatlantic greyhounds on their best voyages have been—
Lusitania (record voyage) ... 23.98 knots
Kaiser Wilhelm II ... 23.58
Deutschland ... 23.51
Lusitania (first voyage) ... 23.01

A Liverpool telegram says that at noon yesterday the Lusitania was 627 miles west of Quonstown, her average speed being 24.30 knots. The day's run from noon on Monday was 600 knots.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Sir Haviland de Sausmarez, British judge at Shanghai, contemplates coming to Hongkong shortly for a week or two.

Colonel H. Martin, A.M.S., has been appointed a member of the Sanitary Board in succession to Lieut.-Col. Reid, R.A.M.C.

We learn that Dr. W. Deborch, the late director of the Observatory, has taken up his permanent residence at Elgin Road, Sutton, Surrey.

Mr. E. D. G. Wolfe, Inspector of Schools, and S. B. C. Ross, Assistant Land Officer, have been appointed members of the Examining Board in the place of Messrs T. Sercombe Smith and A. M. Thomson, who have resigned.

BY TELEGRAPH.

OPIUM SUPPRESSION.

A Censor Cures Himself.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)
PEKING, December 20.

An Imperial Edict was issued on the 19th inst. stating that Censor Chang Ming Yik, recently dismissed owing to his weakness for opium, has moralized the Throne declaring that he has given up the opium habit entirely, and urging that he be reinstated to office. His memorial has been accepted to and Chan has been replaced on the Censorate Board.

NEW CANTON VICEROY.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)
PEKING, December 20.

It is stated that the Acting Viceroy of Chihli, Ying Shi Shung, will be transferred to Canton as Viceroy in place of Viceroy Chang Jen Chun, who will be transferred to the Szechuen province.

It is also stated that Viceroy Tuan Fang, of Liang Kiang provinces, will be transferred to Chihli.

"RAISING THE WIND."

Money for a Railway.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)
PEKING, December 20.

Acting on instructions from the Throne the Viceroy of the Liang Hu provinces has ordered the Mint at Hupai to coin an additional sum of 4,000,000 copper cents to be appropriated towards the fund for the construction of the Hunan section of the Canton-Hankow railway.

THE UNREST IN KWANGSI.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)
NANKING, December 20.

The Governor of Kwangsi, Chang Ming Chi, left Kweihsin on the 19th inst. to inspect Leungehow and Nanning, where there has been considerable unrest of late.

PEKING, December 10.
All the telegraph lines South of Chinan-kuan have been cut down by the rebels who are preparing to rise on a great scale.

PEKING, December 10.
The Waiwupu has communicated with the French Minister to the effect that Chinese troops should be allowed to pass the border to the extent of five li, in order to surround the rebels.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr Figg of the Hongkong Observatory—

On the 21st at 12.10 p. The northern depression is crossing the Sea of Japan and approaching the neighbourhood of Hokkaido, where pressure has decreased very rapidly.

The barometer has risen moderately to considerably over China and a slight rise has taken place also over the Philippines. Pressure is, however, still low over the latter area and the S.E. part of the China Sea.

The anticyclonic area remains over the Upper Yangtze.

Gradients are steep generally, and hard monsoon gales will continue to prevail over the China Sea, and very strong monsoon along the whole of the China coast.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow.

FORECAST DISTRICTS.
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3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamook: Same as No. 1.
4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: N. gale.

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Manila, and Yokohama, on

MONDAY, the 30th inst., at

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The above steamers have splendid accom-

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K. MATSUDA, Manager, Yokohama.

Hongkong, April 15, 1907. 612

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FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP

via SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

GLENAYON.

Captain WOODWARD, will be despatched

for London and Antwerp on or about

JANUARY 9th, 1908.

For Freight, apply to

McGREGOR BROS. & CO.

Hongkong, December 18, 1907. 2005

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

PATANI.

having arrived, Consignees of cargo are

hereby informed that their Goods, with the

exception of Opium, Treasure and Val-

ables, are being landed and stored at their

risk into the hazardous and/or extra haz-

ardous Godowns of the Hongkong and

Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited,

Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the

Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods

remaining undelivered after the 23rd of

December, will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods

are to be left in the Godowns, where they

will be examined on the 23rd of December,

at 9.30 a.m.

All Claims must reach us before the 27th

of December, or they will not be recog-

nized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

the Undersigned.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD,

MELCHERS & CO.,

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Hongkong, December 17, 1907. 1909

PEN LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP BENLARI.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND

STRAITS.

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the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and

Godown Co., Limited, whence delivery may

be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the

Goods have left the Godowns, and all

Goods remaining undelivered after the 24th

inst., will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be

presented to the Undersigned on or before

the 31st inst., or they will not be re-

cognized.

All Broken, chafed, and damaged Goods

are to be left in the Godowns, where they

will be examined on the 24th inst., at

11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, December 17, 1907. 1908

ARTILLERY IN MODERN WAR.

Military Attache's Lecture.]

Captain J. Vincent, R.F.A., British

Attache to the First Japanese Army during

the war in Manchuria, read a paper at the

Royal United Service Institution on Oct. 30

on the result of his experiences and obser-

vations during that memorable struggle,

especially in regard to the artillery opera-

tions. On the whole, he said, the effect

of artillery fire was disappointing. They

were taught the lesson that it was

futile to conceive of a theoretical

conditions for which rules could be

formulated. A wide latitude for per-

sonal initiative was conspicuous in the

Japanese, and the Russians towards

the close also adapted themselves to the

peculiar conditions of the war. The Japa-

nese field gun was inferior to the Russian,

and their field artillery generally compared

unfavorably with our own of 1904. Both

armies took the field handicapped; they

were without shields and telephones, and

had no system of flag-signalling. Before the

war the Japanese had experimented with

visual signalling, but discarded it as likely

to lead to confusion and mistakes in the

field. Up to and including the battle of

the Shinko their artillery employed

shooters of men trained to pass orders.

Such means were useless. A feature of

the war was the tendency to fire at too

long a range—4,000 to 6,000 yards. A

Japanese infantry colonel said to him:

"It is no use firing at long ranges, because

the artillery officers cannot follow precisely

the movements of the infantry. The

gunners should advance with the infantry

and take up positions at decisive ranges,

even if they lose men and horses in doing

so. And why should not the gunners lose

men?—We infantry have lost half our

number since the beginning of the war."

The long range fire caused a great waste of

ammunition.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

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No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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